

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Bernadette Craster et al.) Customer No. 37003
Application N°: 10/542,654)
PCT No.: PCT/GB2004/000575) Confirmation No. 8888
Priority Appl. No.: GB 0303881.7)
Filed: July 19, 2005) Group Art Unit: n/a
Int'l. Filing Date: February 20, 2004)
Priority Filing Date: February 20, 2003) Examiner: n/a
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR) Docket N°: 57.0513 US PCT
MAINTAINING ZONAL ISOLATION
IN A WELLBORE)

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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

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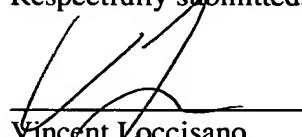
Dear Sir:

In response to the "Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" dated July 21, 2006 for the above-captioned application, with regard to item (3) of the Discussion, the Examiner stated that Applicants previously submitted a partial declaration executed by seven of the eight inventors. This Declaration did not list Roger Card as an inventor nor include an unsigned signature block for Roger Card. Applicants hereby submit a copy of the complete declaration executed by all of the available joint inventors with the signature block for the nonsigning inventor, Roger Card, left blank.

With regard to item (4) of the Discussion, the Examiner stated that the Applicant neglected to provide a statement by a person with first-hand knowledge of the steps made to locate Roger Card. Further, the Applicant failed to provide copies of documentary evidence to show that these steps to locate the missing inventor were actually made. Accordingly, Applicants hereby submit two Verified Statements of Facts, with supporting documented evidence, setting forth the steps taken to locate Roger Card.

In light of the attached submissions, Applicants believe that they have met all necessary requirements to have their Petition Under Rule 1.47(a), filed on May 2, 2006, accepted, so as to allow a filing date to be assigned to this application. If the Examiner is contemplating any action other than the acceptance of the petition, the Examiner is kindly urged to contact Applicant's representative, Vincent Loccisano, at (617) 252-4727.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERIFIED STATEMENT OF FACTS

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Sir:

I, Anna Bruce, am a Senior Intellectual Property Administrator for the Intellectual Property Law Department of Schlumberger Cambridge Research Limited. I have been employed by Schlumberger for 8 years. Our associates in Ridgefield, Connecticut, filed the above-identified patent application on July 19, 2005. They also prepared the Declaration and Assignment documents for filing in said application and the following events occurred while attempting to obtain the signature of co-inventor Roger Card on these documents.

On July 14, 2005, I personally saw my colleague send an Assignment document to Roger Card at his last known address of 7819 Silent Forest Drive, Sugar Land, Texas 77479, for his signature. The letter was sent by air mail and it was redirected from Silent Forest Drive to 17707 Emerald Garden Lane, Houston, before being returned to Schlumberger Cambridge Research Limited. The envelope had been marked "moved, wrong address" (a copy of the returned envelope is attached).

On August 18, 2005, I personally saw my colleague perform a search on the internet in order to try and find an address for Roger Card. A fax number was discovered and a communication was duly faxed to that number (a copy of the fax is attached). We received no reply.

The above-mentioned colleague has since left the Intellectual Property Law Department.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Date: 7 September 2006

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DECLARATION OF WITNESS

I, Andrea Lightbody, whose full post office address is
(witness)
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(P.O. address)

present and did see Anna Bruce, who is personally known to me to be the person named in the above Verified Statement of Facts, duly sign and execute the same.

Declared at Cambridge, Cambridgeshire this
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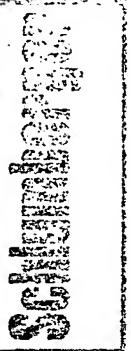
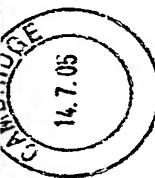
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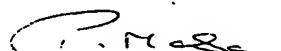
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Dear Sir

I am trying to contact Dr Roger J Card. Please would you confirm by returning this fax or emailing me at hyde@cambridge.oilfield.slb.com if you are one and the same, giving your present address so that we may write to you at the correct place.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Yours faithfully



Pamela Mason
Intellectual Property Administrator
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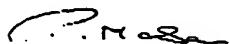
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Sir:

I, Ruth A. Schreiber, am a Paralegal for the Intellectual Property Law Department of Schlumberger-Doll Research. I have been employed by Schlumberger for 29 years. I filed the above-identified patent application on July 19, 2005. I prepared the Declaration and Assignment documents for filing in said application and the following events occurred while attempting to obtain the signature of co-inventor Roger Card on these documents.

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On August 2, 2005, I mailed by Express mail, label no. EV05 8371 932US, the Declaration and Assignment documents to Roger Card, at his last known address, for his signature. (copy of covering letter dated August 1, 2005 that accompanied the documents is attached).

On August 2, 2005, I checked our LDAP email address system, and found that Roger Card was no longer listed as an employee of the company.

On August 3, the package for the corresponding US case was delivered to the last known address of 7819 Silent Forest Drive, Sugar Land, Texas 77479.

On August 8, 2005, the package was returned undeliverable. (a copy of the tracking information for Express Mail label no. EV05 8371 932US is attached).

Our associates in Cambridge, England were notified of the undelivered package and further attempts to locate Roger Card were made by them.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Date: September 11, 2006



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DECLARATION OF WITNESS

I, Kathy Sincik, whose full post office address is
36 Old Quarry Rd. (witness)
(P.O. address) Ridgefield, CT, hereby declare that I was personally

present and did see Ruth A. Schreiber, who is personally known to me to be the person named in the above Verified Statement of Facts, duly sign and execute the same.

Declared at Ridgefield, Connecticut this
(City) (State)

11th day of September, 2006.


(witness signature)

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August 1, 2005

OUT - EV 058371932 US

Mr. Roger Card
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in - EV058371946US

Re: Your Patent Application entitled,
"System and Method for Maintaining Zonal
Isolation in a Wellbore"
(Our File 57.0513 US PCT)

Dear Roger,

We have filed your patent application in the United States under the Patent Cooperation Treaty.
Your original application was filed in Great Britain on 20 February 2003.

Enclosed are the Declaration and Assignment documents. Please sign the Assignment in front of a Notary Public. The Declaration only needs your signature and date. Please return both executed documents to me in the self-addressed, postage-paid return Express Mail envelope enclosed for your convenience.

If you have any questions regarding these papers, please do not hesitate to call me or email me at the addresses listed above.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with these papers.

With best regards,

Ruth A. Schreiber

Ruth A. Schreiber
IP Law Paralegal

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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I/We hereby declare that:

My/Our residence, post office address(s) and citizenship(s) are as stated below next to my/our name(s), and

I/We believe I/We am/are the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed (if only one name is listed below) or an original and first inventor of at least some of the subject matter which is claimed (if plural names are listed below) and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING ZONAL ISOLATION IN A WELLBORE

the specification of which

- is attached hereto
 was filed on **20 February 2004**
as PCT International Application No. **PCT/GB2004/000575**
and filed on **19 July 2005**
as United States National Application No. **10/542,654**

and was amended on _____

I/We hereby state that I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

Prior Foreign Application(s)

I/We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Country	Application No.	Filed (d/m/y)	Issued (d/m/y)	Priority Claimed
United Kingdom	0303881.7	(20.02.2003) 20 February 2003		Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
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Prior United States Applications

I/We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial No.	Filing Date (d/m/y)	Status (Patented, Pending, Abandoned)

And, I/We hereby appoint, both jointly and severally, as my attorney(s) and/or agent(s) with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith the following attorney(s) and agent(s), their registration numbers being listed after their names.

Dale Gaudier, 28,213; William B. Batzer, 37,088; William L. Wang, 39,871; and Jody Lynn DeStefanis, 44,653

I/We hereby request that all correspondence be directed to:

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and that all telephone calls be directed to the Intellectual Property Law Department at (203) 431-5507;
and that all facsimile phone calls be directed to the Intellectual Property Law Department at (203) 431-5640.

I hereby declare (if sole inventor) or each of us hereby declares (if joint inventors) that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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SIXTH INVENTOR

Signature: Jonathan Phipps Date: 3rd August 2005

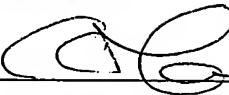
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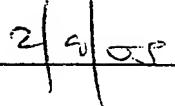
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